

CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST (CITT)

Wednesday, July 28, 2004

Stephen P. Clark Center

Miami-Dade Commission Chambers

111 NW 1st Street

2:00 p.m.

Summary of Minutes

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Marc Buoniconti, Chairman
Hon. Mike Abrams
Henry Lee Givens
Maureen O'Donnell

Hon. Luis Morse, Vice-Chairman
LtCol Antonio Colmenares
Franklin Nelly
Theodore Wilde

COUNTY ATTORNEY:

Bruce Libhaber

OTHERS PRESENT:

Dr. Carlos Bonzon, Surface Transportation Manager
Irma San Roman, Interim Executive Director
Juanda Aeryu, Citizen
Jack Furney, OCITT
Nestor Toledo, OCITT
Sandra Melean, PWD
Lidia Monzón-Aguirre, Finance
Diana Gonzales, MDT
Mike Hatch, CTAC
Charles Dunn, Citizen
Steven Kraycar, Citizen
Terry Grant, MDT
Bonnie Todd, MDT
Hannie Woodson, MDT
Dunbar Cornelle, MDT
George Navarrete, MDT
Joe Bober, Citizen
Elijah Pendleton, Citizen

Clinton Forbes, MDT
Patty David, OCITT
David Bellamy, Citizen
Marlene Amaro, OCITT
Michelle Brown, MDT
David Tinder, PWD
Mayra Bustamante, MDT
Roosevelt Bradley, MDT
E. Eric Primus, Citizen
Michael Fetsko, Citizen
Delray Tomlinson, MDT
Jennifer Wilkins, MDT
Marshall Nathenson, MDT
John Coulter, Citizen
Ed Colby, Citizen
John Labriola, OCITT
Rene Pedrayes, Citizen
Naomi Wright, CTAC

ROLL CALL

With a quorum being present, Mr. Buoniconti called the meeting to order at 2:25 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Buoniconti requested a motion to approve the agenda. LtCol Antonio Colmenares moved to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Mr. Henry Lee Givens and carried without dissent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Buoniconti requested a motion to approve the June 30, 2004, minutes. LtCol Colmenares moved to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Mr. Henry Lee Givens and carried without dissent.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

Ms. Juanda Ferguson, citizen, asked if carpeting was being considered for the new Metrorail and Metromover cars. Mr. Roosevelt Bradley, Director, MDT, responded that a new surfacing material is being considered.

REPORTS

Chairman's Report

Mr. Buoniconti reported that on July 26, 2004, the Financial Consultant Selection Committee met to review the two proposals submitted. The committee decided to reconvene in August for oral presentations and he would provide a report at the September meeting. Mr. Buoniconti mentioned that on July 19 the BCC/CITT workshop met to discuss the Ordinance review, the CITT's powers, and the BCC/CITT governance. He believes it was a very positive and productive meeting and everyone agreed to meet on a monthly basis. Lastly, Mr. Buoniconti mentioned that on July 15, 2004, the Executive Director Selection Committee interviewed five candidates for the aforementioned position and forwarded its recommendation to the County Manager who approved the recommendation of Nan Markowitz. Ms. Markowitz will begin September 2004. (A copy of the County Manager's Appointment Memorandum was distributed.)

Budget & Finance Committee – Theodore Wilde

Mr. Theodore Wilde provided the members with an oral report regarding the items considered at the Budget & Finance Committee on July 13, 2004, (A copy of the report was distributed).

Project Review Committee – LtCol Antonio Colmenares

LtCol Colmenares announced that site visits are scheduled in the cities of Miami Beach and North Miami Beach on August 27, 2004, and invited members to participate. In addition, LtCol Colmenares mentioned that the next Project Review committee meeting is scheduled for Sept. 15, 2004, at 6 p.m., location to be announced.

By-Laws Committee – LtCol Colmenares

LtCol Colmenares reported that the By-Laws committee met on July 14, 2004, to review the CITT By-Laws after its first year. LtCol distributed a copy of the suggested amendments and asked the members to review for approval at the next CITT meeting in September (Copies of the proposed By-Laws amendments were distributed).

External Affairs Committee – Hon Luis C. Morse

Mr. Morse provided the members with a written report on the following items discussed at the July 20, 2004, External Affairs Committee meeting:

- CITT Vacancy Marketing Outreach
- MDT Customer Service Card
- Municipal Surtax Distribution
- Resolution encouraging municipalities to comply with the certification requirements

Compliance & Oversight Committee – Henry Lee Givens

Mr. Givens reported that the committee met on July 20, 2004, and reviewed the following four action items:

- North American Bus Industries for (70) 30-Foot low floor transit coaches
- North American Bus Industries 40-Foot low floor transit coaches
- Security Services with Wackenhut Corporation. The Committee did not recommend for approval
- CITT Resolution to the BCC relating to the County's Contracts selection process

Interim Executive Director's Report – Irma San Roman

Ms. San Roman reported on the following items:

- People's Transportation Plan Status Report was distributed.
- Distributed a copy of the revised Tracking Review Form for review and comments.
- OCITT office configuration has been completed and staff has moved to the new office space.
- Next CITT meeting scheduled for Thursday, Sept. 30, 2004
- Selection of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman will also take place Sept. 30, 2004. Ms. San Roman asked members to submit nominations ten days prior to the meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

None

ACTION ITEMS

- A. RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST APPROVING THE MIAMI-DADE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' (BCC) ACTION AWARDED A CONTRACT BETWEEN H & R PAVING, INC., AND THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT (PWD), FOR THE PEOPLE'S TRANSPORTATION PLAN (PTP) PROJECT NUMBER 20030002 – RESURFACING
- B. RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST APPROVING THE MIAMI-DADE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' (BCC) ACTION AWARDED A CONTRACT BETWEEN H & R PAVING, INC., AND THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT (PWD), FOR THE PEOPLE'S TRANSPORTATION PLAN (PTP) PROJECT NUMBER 20030003 - RESURFACING
- C. RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST APPROVING THE MIAMI-DADE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' (BCC) ACTION AWARDED A CONTRACT BETWEEN GENERAL ASPHALT CO., INC., AND THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT (PWD), FOR THE PEOPLE'S TRANSPORTATION PLAN (PTP) PROJECT NUMBER 20030004 – RESURFACING

LtCol Colmenares moved to approve items A,B and C. The motion was seconded by Mr. Henry Lee Givens and carried without dissent.

- D. RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST APPROVING THE MIAMI-DADE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' (BCC) ACTION AWARDDING A CONTRACT BETWEEN FORTEX CONSTRUCTION, INC., AND THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT (PWD) FOR THE PEOPLE'S TRANSPORTATION PLAN (PTP) PROJECT NUMBER 20030010 – ANNUAL PAVEMENT STRIPING

LtCol Colmenares moved to approve items A,B and C. The motion was seconded by Mr. Henry Lee Givens and carried without dissent.

- E. RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST APPROVING THE MIAMI-DADE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' (BCC) ACTION AUTHORIZING THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT'S (PWD) USE OF BID 1480-4/08 (SIGN BLANKS AND POSTS) FOR THE PEOPLE'S TRANSPORTATION PLAN (PTP) PROJECTS

Mr. Henry Lee Givens moved to approve item E. The motion was seconded by LtCol Colmenares and carried without dissent.

- F. RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST (CITT) RECOMMENDING TO THE MIAMI-DADE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS (BCC) THAT THE PEOPLE'S TRANSPORTATION PLAN'S (PTP) TRANSIT CAPITAL PROJECTS LIST BE AMENDED TO INCLUDE THE PROCUREMENT OF TWELVE (12) METROMOVER VEHICLE CARS AND THE RETROFIT AND REHABILITATION OF THE REMAINING SEVENTEEN (17) METROMOVER CARS

LtCol Colmenares moved to approve item F. The motion was seconded by Mr. Henry Lee Givens and carried without dissent.

- G. RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST (CITT) APPROVING THE MIAMI-DADE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS (BCC) ACTION AUTHORIZING A LOAN FROM THE SUNSHINE STATE GOVERNMENTAL FINANCING COMMISSION (SUNSHINE COMMISSION) IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$100 MILLION FOR PAYING OR REIMBURSING THE COST OF ACQUIRING CERTAIN TRANSIT ASSETS

Mr. Abrams moved to approve item G. The motion was seconded by Mr. Franklin Kelly and carried without dissent.

Mr. Buoniconti stated that some members had requested a report from MDT explaining the utilization of surtax dollars. Ms. Mayra Bustamante, MDT, responded that MDT staff had met with OCITT staff and provided them with an amended invoice for the \$34 million reimbursement for buses that were no longer going to be used for that purpose, rather for other categories. She further stated that an additional meeting has been

scheduled in August and a report will be made available to CITT members in September. Members requested that a detailed report be provided to the CITT members outlining where the monies are going to be spent.

- H. RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST (CITT) APPROVING THE MIAMI-DADE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' (BCC) ACTION AWARDDING CONTRACT TA03-MB2 AND AUTHORIZING THE USE OF SURTAX FUNDS FOR THE PURCHASE OF SEVENTY (70), 30-FOOT LOW-FLOOR TRANSIT COACHES (MINI TRANSIT BUSES) WITH NORTH AMERICAN BUS INDUSTRIES (NABI) FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF BUS SERVICE IMPROVEMENTS

Mr. Mike Abrams moved to approve item H. The motion was seconded by LtCol Antonio Colmenares and carried with dissent.

Mr. Givens stated that this item was reviewed by the Compliance & Oversight Committee and was passed with a favorable recommendation; however, he expressed his concern that companies doing business with Miami-Dade County do not have any minority representation on their boards of directors.

- I. RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST APPROVING THE MIAMI-DADE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' (BCC) ACTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE WACKENHUT CORPORATION AND MIAMI-DADE TRANSIT FOR PROVISION OF SECURITY SERVICES WITH A TOTAL COMPENSATION CEILING NOT TO EXCEED \$89.5 MILLION

Several members raised concerns regarding the contract amount and how much of the \$89.5 million would be funded by surtax dollars. Mr. Roosevelt Bradley responded that based on the current formula the percentage of the \$89.5 million would be between 15 and 20 percent. Several members questioned why they did not receive that information before the meeting. Mr. Bruce Libhaber, Assistant County Attorney, added that it is the intention of MDT not to exceed 20 percent but that it is not specified in the contract and therefore not binding. LtCol Antonio Colmenares moved to approve item I. The motion was seconded by Mr. Michael Abrams and the vote was as follows:

Marc A. Buoniconti, Chairman	No
Hon. Luis C. Morse, Vice-Chairman	No
Hon. Michael Abrams	No
Maureen O'Donnell	No
LtCol. Antonio Colmenares	Yes
Henry Lee Givens	Yes
Franklin Kelly	Yes
Theodore Wilde	Yes

Mr. Buoniconti stated that the motion failed.

- J. RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST APPROVING THE MIAMI-DADE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' (BCC) ACTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE TWELFTH SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT TO THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN MIAMI-DADE TRANSIT (AND PARSONS BRINCKERHOFF QUADE & DOUGLAS, INC., TO PREPARE AN APPLICATION PACKAGE TO REQUEST PERMISSION FROM THE FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION TO ENTER INTO PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT A NEW STARTS APPLICATION, AND COMPLETE THE FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (FEIS) FOR THE MIAMI INTERMODAL CENTER (MIC)/EARLINGTON HEIGHTS CONNECTOR

LtCol Colmenares moved to approve item J. The motion was seconded by Mr. Franklin Kelly and carried without dissent.

- K. RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST (CITT) RECOMMENDING TO THE MIAMI-DADE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS (BCC) THAT THE BCC EXPLORE THE POLICY AND LEGALITY OF TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE ETHNIC COMPOSITION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF COMPANIES IN THE AWARING OF COUNTY CONTRACTS

Ms. O'Donnell moved to add the word "Gender" to the resolution. The motion was seconded by LtCol Colmenares and carried without dissent.

- L. RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST (CITT) ENCOURAGING ALL MUNICIPALITIES, ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE A PORTION OF THE TWENTY PERCENT MUNICIPAL SHARE OF THE CHARTER COUNTY TRANSIT SYSTEM SURTAX PROCEEDS (SURTAX), TO COMPLY WITH THE CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS, AS OUTLINED IN THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT, BY SEPTEMBER 30, OF EACH YEAR, AND RECOMMENDING TO THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO WITHHOLD SURTAX FUNDS TO THOSE MUNICIPALITIES FAILING TO COMPLY WITH THE CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENT

Mr. Theodore Wilde moved to approve item L. The motion was seconded by Mr. Franklin Kelly and carried without dissent.

Mr. Mike Abrams excused himself at 4:15 p.m.

Mr. Libhaber announced that items M, N, and O were approved by the Board of County Commissioners on July 27, 2004, and have been signed by Mayor Alex Penelas waiving the 10 day mayoral veto.

Mr. Erick Primes, citizen, suggested staff to implement a process for the CITT to have ample time to review the resolutions for the meeting.

Mr. Morse moved to approve items M, N and O. The motion was seconded by Mr. Henry Lee Givens and carried without dissent.

- M. RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST APPROVING THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' (BCC) ACTION AWARDED A CONTRACT BETWEEN PETRO HYDRO, INC., AND THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT (PWD), FOR THE PEOPLE'S TRANSPORTATION PLAN (PTP) PROJECT NUMBER 20030009 – DRAINAGE
- N. RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST APPROVING THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' (BCC) ACTION AWARDED A CONTRACT BETWEEN RAYDAN ELECTRIC, INC., AND THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT (PWD), FOR THE PEOPLE'S TRANSPORTATION PLAN (PTP) PROJECT NUMBER 20030015 – TRAFFIC SIGNALS
- O. RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST APPROVING THE MIAMI-DADE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' (BCC) ACTION AWARDED A CONTRACT BETWEEN H & J ASPHALT, INC., AND THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT (PWD) FOR THE PEOPLE'S TRANSPORTATION PLAN (PTP) PROJECT NUMBER 20030005 - RESURFACING

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Buoniconti announced that the next CITT meeting is scheduled for Thursday, Sept. 30, 2004 at 10 am.

Mr. Givens announced the Mr. Herminio Lorenzo has been appointed Miami-Dade Fire Rescue Chief. He moved that staff prepare a resolution congratulating Mr. Lorenzo on behalf of the CITT. The motion was seconded by Ms. Maureen O'Donnell and carried without dissent.

ADJOURNMENT

The CITT meeting adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

*****MINUTES ARE IN SUMMARY FORM*****

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